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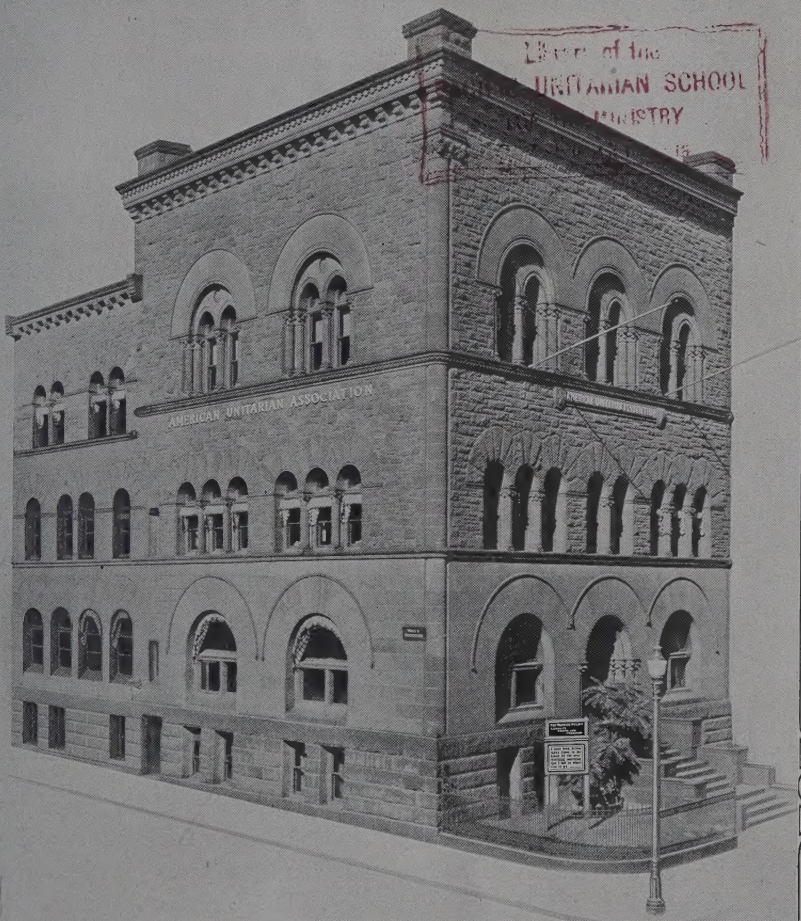

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THESE SOCIETIES have their headquarters in the building of the American Unitarian Association, 25 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. The names of the principal officers of each society will be found on the first pages of the sections devoted to their respective organizations. The work and purpose of these societies may be stated in brief as follows:

THE AMERICAN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION

THE ASSOCIATION was founded in 1825, its object being "to diffuse the knowledge and promote the interests of pure Christianity." In furtherance of this purpose the Association publishes books, reports and tracts; supports missionaries; establishes and maintains churches, and aids in supporting ministers; assists students in preparing for the ministry; and helps fellow-citizens of foreign birth and speech in entering upon their American life. It administers endowments for the benefit of schools and churches of the Unitarian order; for the relief of poor and worthy ministers and the widows of ministers; for the benefit of schools for colored people in the South; and for many other beneficent purposes.

THE ALLIANCE OF UNITARIAN WOMEN

THE ALLIANCE was organized in 1890, and has for its aims primarily to quicken the religious life of the Unitarian churches, and to bring the women of the denomination into closer acquaintance, co-operation and fellowship; to promote local organizations of women for missionary and denominational work; to bring them into helpful association; to collect and disseminate information regarding all matters of interest to the denomination, such as needs of local societies, facilities for meeting these needs, work to be done, the collection and distribution of money, and in general to devise ways and means for the most efficient usefulness of the women of the Unitarian fellowship.

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MINISTERIAL PERSONALS

Rev. Francis S. Thacher died at Cambridge, Mass., March 26, in his eighty-first year. He had held pastorates at Marietta, O., Berlin and Warwick, Mass., St. John, N. B., Quincy, Ill., Farmington, Me., and Walpole, N. H., and had long been associated with the Harvard College Library.

Rev. Minot Simons has accepted a call to All Souls Church, New York, and will take up that important work in the fall.

Rev. H. D. Brown has resigned as Associate Minister of the Community Church, New York, and taken up work with the Anti-Tuberculosis Society in Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. F. H. Kent has accepted a call to Orange, N. J., and Rev. E. A. Tuck to the Federated Church in Sturbridge, Mass.

Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Pickett have accepted a call to Peabody, Mass., and Rev. Thomas Turrell to West Somerville, Mass.

Mr. C. Ufford of the Meadville Theological School has accepted a call to Colorado Springs, Col.

Rev. E. M. Slocombe has resigned at Ware, Mass., to accept a call to Lexington, Mass., and Rev. W. W. Locke has resigned at Scituate, Mass., to accept a call to Lawrence, Mass.

Rev. R. E. Akin has resigned at Louisville, Ky.

APPOINTMENTS

The preaching appointments of the President of the Association, Dr. Eliot, in April have been at Exeter, N. H., Wellesley, Mass., and Chicago, Ill., and he has spoken in New York, at Albany, at the Harvard Theological School, and Madison, Wis.

The Secretary of the Association, Dr. Cornish, has spoken at Portland, Maine, Wellesley Hills, Westwood, Mendon, Athol, First Parish in Hingham and Worcester, Mass., and Keene, N. H.

The Secretary of the Department of Church Extension, Dr. Simons, has preached on the Sundays at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., and at the Hackley School, Leicester, Mass., Trenton, N. J., and the Arlington Street Church, Boston. He has also spoken at the parish meetings in Somerville and Reading, Mass., and Wilmington, Del.; to Alliances at Canton, Mass., Philadelphia, Pa., and Orange, N. J.; and to the Worcester Conference at Worcester, Mass.

Field Secretary Brown has met appointments in April at Florence, Medfield, Sharon and Warwick, Mass., Dublin, Manchester and Wilton, N. H., and he has been doing some special work with the parish in Winthrop, Mass.

Field Secretary Hunt was the representative of the Association at the meetings of the Mohawk Valley Conference at Syracuse, N. Y., and at the Joseph Priestley Conference at Baltimore, Md. His preaching appointments have been at Hackensack, N. J., Flushing and Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Field Secretary Wetherell has completed his journey in the Northwest, during which he has visited all our churches in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

Rev. Maxwell Savage was the special representative of the Association at the meeting of the Southern Conference in Louisville, Ky.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Association will be held in Tremont Temple, Boston, on May 22. A very full and rich program has been prepared. The life and delegate members of the Association will have opportunity to get a general view of the whole progress of our movement during the past year. At the morning session there are to be fifteen concise addresses by the men and women who have had charge of the various divisions of our collective endeavor. Usually one has to get acquainted with the different aspects of our common life at the separate meetings of the independent societies. This year we want to see things largely and unitedly and in their wholeness.

At the afternoon session, besides the necessary business and the election of officers and directors, Mr. Griffin, the chairman of the Commission on Polity appointed by the General Conference, will make a preliminary report of the important findings of the Commission. The final report will be submitted to the General Con-

ference itself in September, but it is understood that some of the recommendations of the Commission involve changes in the By-Laws of the Association and if action is to be taken on these amendments in May, 1924, then under the Constitution, the amendments have to be proposed in May, 1923. It is therefore necessary that the first announcements of the plans of the Commission be made at the meeting of the Association, though the complete report must later be rendered to the Conference which appointed the Commission and which is responsible for its work.

At the afternoon session also four addresses will be made by welcome visitors from other lands: Mr. Roger Jezequel will speak for our fellow-workers among the French Protestant churches; Rev. H. W. Stephenson will represent the British and Foreign Unitarian Association; Professor August H. Bjarnason comes to us from Iceland; and the President of the International Congress of Free Christians, Professor K. H. Roessingh of Leyden, will bring the greetings of our friends the world around.

EVENING MEETINGS IN ANNIVERSARY WEEK

The six evening meetings of Anniversary Week present varied and attractive opportunities. Three of these evening meetings are under the auspices of the Association. First, on Sunday night comes the Anniversary Sermon, which will be preached in Arlington Street Church by Rev. Frederick M. Eliot, of St. Paul. Mr. Eliot has been invited to be the preacher as a representative of our younger ministers, for the emphasis of our life during the past year has been upon work with and by young people. The President of the Young People's Religious Union will join with the minister of the church and the President of the Association in the conduct of the service.

On Tuesday evening the emphasis will be upon the things which promote Christian unity and the fellowship of the churches. The meeting will be held in the First Church in Boston, where the tablets and memorials recall the history of Christian effort from the founding of the church in 1630 to the present time. The speaker will be Dr. Joseph Fort Newton of New York. Dr. Newton has a very wide reputation as an orator and as a man of letters. He is the author of "David Swing," "Abraham Lincoln," "The Sword of the Spirit," "The Theology of Civilization," and other well known books. He was, in the wartime, the minister of the great City Temple of London and is now minister of the Church of the Divine Paternity in New York. The service will be conducted by

Dr. Park, the minister of the Church, and Dr. Nehemiah Boynton, formerly the Moderator of the Council of the Congregational Churches.

On Wednesday evening the second of the lectures on the Ware Foundation will be delivered in Arlington Street Church. The speaker is to be Professor K. H. Roessingh of Leyden, and his theme will be "The Tendencies of Religious Thought and Life in Europe." Professor Roessingh is one of the rising young scholars of Europe and a man of wide vision and great charm of personality. He has exceptional command of English and speaks intelligibly as well as eloquently.

The other evenings of Anniversary Week are appointed Monday to the dinner of the Laymen's League, where the speakers are to be Professors Hudson and Dewey on "The World Court"; Thursday to the Festival, where the speakers are to be Dean Sperry of Harvard and Professor Kent of Yale; and Friday, to the general program of the Young People's Religious Union.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee will present the following nominations for Officers and Directors of the Association for action at the Annual Meeting of the Association on Tuesday, May 22:

For President

Samuel A. Eliot,	Cambridge, Mass.

For Vice-Presidents

James A. Tufts,	Exeter, N. H.
Mrs. W. Scott Fitz,	Boston, Mass.
Frank H. Hiscock,	Syracuse, N. Y.
George Soulé,	New Orleans, La.
Arthur E. Morgan,	Dayton, O.
Charles A. Lory,	Fort Collins, Col.
Edward T. Williams,	Berkeley, Cal.
Murray E. Williams,	Montreal, Can.

For Secretary

Louis C. Cornish,	Boston, Mass.

For Assistant Secretary

W. Forbes Robertson,	Arlington, Mass.

For Treasurer

Henry H. Fuller,	Lancaster, Mass.

For Directors (three years)

Mrs. Oscar C. Gallagher,	Boston, Mass.
George R. Blinn,	Bedford, Mass.
Frederick M. Eliot,	St. Paul, Minn.
Frederick R. Griffin,	Philadelphia, Pa.
Charles E. Park,	Boston, Mass.
Carl O. Sayward,	New York, N. Y.

On this ticket the President, the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary, seven of the Vice-Presidents, and three of the Directors are re-nominated.

To the regret of the Committee Mr. Henry M. Williams informed them that he could not accept a re-nomination to the office of Treasurer, as the pressure of other duties obliges him to withdraw from some of the appointments which make large claims upon his time and strength. To fill this office the Committee presents the name of Mr. Henry H. Fuller of Lancaster, Mass. Mr. Fuller is the partner of Mr. Williams in the law firm of Williams and Fuller. He has served several times as Deputy Treasurer of the Association and at one time, during Mr. Williams' absence in Europe, held the office for a considerable period. He has served as the Attorney of the Association for a number of years and is exceptionally well acquainted with the investments, trust obligations, and financial methods of the Association. In the administration of his office he will obviously have the advantage of Mr. Williams' long experience and wise counsel. Mr. Fuller has been the efficient chairman of the Parish Committee of the First Church of Christ in Lancaster and that is his home town, but he and his family are accustomed to spend most of the winter in Cambridge or Boston.

Mr. Henry D. Sharpe, of Providence, felt obliged, owing to his multifarious duties, to decline re-nomination for the office of Vice-President for Southern New England, and the Committee presents the name of one of the wisest and most generous of the friends of the Association, Mrs. W. Scott Fitz of the Arlington Street Church in Boston. Mrs. Fitz has served on many of the Committees of our fellowship and has a wide and intimate acquaintance with our denominational activities.

Three new names appear among the nominations for Directors. Mrs. Oscar C. Gallagher of Boston is nominated to succeed Miss Anna M. Bancroft, who has served on the Board for six years with great fidelity and ability. Mrs. Gallagher has been long and intimately associated with the administrative work of the Alliance. Rev. Frederick R. Griffin of Philadelphia is well known and well beloved in our fellowship, and Mr. Carl O. Sayward of New York is a young business man, with strong Unitarian inheritances, who has just completed a remarkably good piece of work as Chairman of the Building Fund Committee of the West Side Church.

The Alliance of Unitarian and Other Liberal Christian Women

Headquarters: Room 10, 25 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

Miss Lucy Lowell, *President* Mrs. Caroline S. Atherton, *Secretary*

Miss Louise Brown, *Treasurer*

AN ALLIANCE JOURNEY

As usual I am gaining great knowledge and enthusiasm from visiting Alliance branches. The out-standing event of this journey is a visit to Oklahoma where the two branches at Oklahoma City and Tulsa are full of life and energy; these two children of the parent Alliance are sure to carry on the tradition of helpfulness to their home churches and interest in work throughout the country.

Lucy Lowell, President.

THE INTERNATIONAL WORK

The formation of an Alliance in Paris brings very great joy to The Alliance here. This branch has been started with members from the Oratoire and the Foyer de l'Ame. Its first regular meeting was held on April 17. Madame Loyson, who has worked towards this end ever since she was last in America, rejoices greatly that this Alliance has been started, and she trusts "it will be the beginning of a deep spiritual communion between the American and French women." We wish the new Alliance every joy in this noble work.

Madame Loyson is very happy that a library has been given by Mrs. J. G. Phillips to do honor to Miss Nina Nightingale, near Soissons, where she worked, and where libraries are greatly needed.

Mrs. Bernard Allen, now in Italy, hopes that the British League can share with us the expense of having another Transylvanian girl at Channing House School, though she says "the unemployment here all winter has been dreadful, and in spite of insurance pay costing a hundred million pounds a year, there is a terrible strain in all charitable societies to help eke out the money. A man gets only fifteen shillings a week, so some one has to help his family as they can't live on that. What a wretched welter it must look to you across the Atlantic! But there are some bright spots. Austria is making quite a wonderful recovery owing to the League of Nations, and I am greatly hoping that help may be extended to Hungary next. Anyhow, we don't despair, but hope that better times are coming."

Conditions in Budapest are getting worse daily, so the need of

the relief given by British and American women was never greater. Money sent by Alliance women goes directly to help Unitarians in great distress and need, the half clad, under-nourished children, some in the early stages of tuberculosis, the refugees from Transylvania, which are often Unitarian ministers' or teachers' families, and some in Transylvania itself. Quite as helpful as the money even, is the fact that we are ready to bring courage and cheer and some indication of our friendship to our Unitarian friends in their time of great need, to show this to individuals and not merely to the church as an organization, as we do when we adopt a church, or help our churches to do this. Contributions for the relief work may be sent to me at The Ranelegh, Boston 17.

The report of the International Committee, printed last month, was, together with the report of the International Union of Liberal Christian Women, and a letter from the Chairman, sent to all branches which asked for it. That 68 branches received the report is an indication that interest is increasing in Alliance work outside this country. As soon as the branches know of the important work done by their own organization, they will support it as well as general foreign work. The reports may be had for the asking. No more will be printed till fall, but the May one will be in the next Alliance Manual. Every local chairman should be supplied with this as well as *Word and Work*, and the *Christian Register,* paid for by the branches when chairmen are unable to subscribe. The International work is important and most interesting, as the branches soon discover. Martha Everett St. John, Chairman.

MAY MEETINGS

Wednesday, May 23, 1923, 10 A. M.
Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass..

Thirty-third Annual Meeting for the presentation of reports, election of officers, amendment of the by-laws, and transaction of other business. Enclosed is the list of candidates for officers and directors, a nominating committee, a committee on credentials, and an auditing committee.

Accredited delegates and life members must present credentials. Delegates and life members unable to be present may send before the meeting to The Alliance, 25 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass., credentials and ballots, and votes on the amendments to the by-laws herewith submitted. No ballot or vote will be counted unless accompanied by the credential duly signed.

Kindly note that credential cards are enclosed with this call.

Delegates should be chosen according to the by-laws, Articles III and XI.

Seats will be reserved until 9.55 o'clock for delegates and life members.

Collection for our missionary work.

Addresses by Miss Sara Comins, Executive Secretary of the Campaign Committee, Y. P. R. U., and Rev. Margaret B. Barnard of Swansboro, N. C.

Wednesday, May 23, 1923, 2.30 P. M.
Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass.

Public Meeting. Subject: *The Life of the Church.* Devotional service conducted by Rev. Louis C. Dethlefs of Medford, Mass. Addresses by Rev. W. A. Vrooman of Wilmington, Del., Rev. Elizabeth Padgham of Rutherford, N. J., and Rev. Frederick R. Griffin of Philadelphia, Pa.

Thursday, May 24, 1923.

11.00 A. M. Cheerful Letter Conference in Channing Hall, 25 Beacon Street.

2.30 P. M. Post Office Mission Conference in Channing Hall, 25 Beacon Street.

Friday, May 25, 1923.

11.15 A. M. Conference of Alliance Presidents in Channing Hall, 25 Beacon Street.

Caroline S. Atherton, Recording Secretary.

April 20, 1923.

Copies of this call have been mailed to all branches and to life members. These together with the credential cards, duly signed by the branch secretary, should be given to the delegates chosen by each branch. If any branch that has a local membership fee wishes to make one of its local members a delegate, it has only to make her a national member by paying the difference between the local fee and one dollar and sending one-third of this amount to the general treasury.

If the number of credentials sent to any branch is not in keeping with the present membership (one for each thirty members), word should be sent to the Recording Secretary at once.

The amendments to the by-laws to be acted on May 23 are very simple. The main points offered are the substitution of *Secretary* and *Assistant Secretary* for the titles *Recording Secretary* and *Corresponding Secretary.* In doing away with the office of Correspond-

ing Secretary the plan is to have the work performed by a Field Secretary, to be appointed by the Executive Board. The amendments proposed also provide that absent delegates and life members may vote in writing at an annual or special meeting on matters previously submitted. This has always been the custom of The Alliance although there was no provision stated in the by-laws.

Will delegates be prepared to show their credentials at the door? It is to be remembered that all who are interested will be welcome whether delegates or not.

MANUAL

The blanks for use in preparation of the Manual have been mailed to all branch secretaries, who are asked to fill them in and pass on to the treasurers as soon as possible.

The names of officers should be of those who are to serve the coming year, because the Manual is used as a mailing-list for *Word and Work* and other Alliance publications, as well as a directory for the branches.

The reports of the treasurers should give receipts and expenditures of the year just closing.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

At the regular meeting held Friday, April 13, in the absence of Miss Lowell who was in the West, Miss Whitman, New England Vice-President, presided and conducted the devotional service.

The Treasurer called attention to the fact that $1500 is still needed to complete the Appeal for Southern Work. As this is the first year The Alliance has had the whole responsibility of this work it is particularly important that this Appeal be completed before the close of the year.

A new life member was reported: Mrs. Susan M. Barker, Ayer, Mass. To the Memorial List have been added the names of Miss Elizabeth Goddard May, by the Alliance at Leicester, Mass.; that of Miss Mary F. Jenks, by Bedford, Mass.; that of Mrs. Ernest Eager, by Milton, Mass.; that of Miss Cora A. Davis, by Revere, Mass.; and that of Mrs. Charles S. Walker, by Charleston, West Va.

On recommendation of the International Committee it was voted to send from the Missionary Collection taken at the May Meeting, $25 for Mrs. Capek's work with the Women of the Unitarian Church in Prague; $40 for the International Union through Miss Herford; $25 for the Women's Alliance of the Khasi Hills Unitarian Union, India; $25 for the Templar Colony in Palestine.

Madame Loyson has formed an Alliance of Protestant women in Paris. It was voted to send a cablegram of hearty greetings for the first meeting, April 17.

The College Centers Committee through Miss Sears has been able to send to Rev. E. Rosalind Lee in answer to her appeal, 100 pounds for the church fund of Cambridge, England. The Committee reported the attendance of the young people at the Sunday evening meetings in Lincoln, Neb., has steadily grown and the church attendance correspondingly. These discussion meetings have proved so interesting that they have taken the place in large part of other social activities.

The Social Service Committee recommended that wherever possible during the summer Open-air Song Services be held at twilight. Those at Arlington Street Church last summer were so successful that the number will be doubled this season. Mr. Hankinson writes from Budapest with deep appreciation for clothing received and says "the situation here is so serious and points to still harder times."

The Isles of Shoals Committee reported progress. The Alliance meetings will be July 9, 10, and the morning of the 11th; the subject, "Needs and Responsibilities of The Alliance." Interesting speakers are promised. Plan to go. Write now for your room.

A new Junior Alliance in Toronto was reported, the first one in Canada for some years. Miss Yolande Thomas, 654 Shaw St., Toronto, Canada, is the secretary.

Elisabeth B. Thacher, Assistant Secretary.

FRIENDLY LINKS

Those who attended our second conference heard selections from unusually interesting letters, written by the members who have joined in our "friendly chain" in many Alliance branches as well as in England, Scotland, Wales, New Zealand, France, Italy, Germany, and Transylvania. A number of chairmen who were not able to be present sent excellent reports, which were read by members of the central committee, and enjoyed by all. The report from Oklahoma City was so much appreciated that three persons present asked if they might borrow it to read to their branches. During Anniversary Week members of the Friendly Links Committee will be glad to meet anyone who wishes to confer with them about the work at Room 10, 25 Beacon St., on Tuesday, between 1.30 and 2.30 P. M.; on Wednesday, between 4.30 and 5.30 P. M.; and on Friday after the Presidents' Conference.

Mary F. Gill, Chairman.

THE SPIRIT OF YOUTH IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD

Anniversary Week this year will be filled with significance for our young people. The Anniversary sermon will be given by Rev. Frederick May Eliot, former President of the Young People's Religious Union. At this service, Mr. Albert A. Pollard, President of the Young People's Religious Union, will read the Scripture lesson. In the galleries of Arlington Street Church there will be a chorus of one hundred young people who will lead the singing.

The Vesper Service on Wednesday, May 23, at the First Church in Boston, will be conducted by the young people. Mr. Danforth Lincoln of Dorchester will give the address, Mr. Ryder Holmes Gay of Providence the prayer, and Miss Margaret I. Aborn, Acting Secretary of the Young People's Religious Union, will read the Scripture lesson.

At the Annual Meeting of the Young People's Religious Union, to be held Friday, May 25, at the First Parish Church in Dorchester, an invitation has been extended to the Junior Alliances to render a report of their work for the year. Following the dinner an episode from the Pageant "Liberation" by Miss MacKaye, will be presented by a representative group of young people.

The Spirit of Youth will be voiced throughout the week. Miss Sara Comins, Executive Secretary of the Campaign By and With Young People will speak at the Annual Meeting of The Alliance.

"Youth Movement and the Church" will be the theme of the Rev. R. Ernest Akin of Louisville, Ky., on Thursday, May 24, at the meeting of the Unitarian Sunday School Society.

This spirit pervading Anniversary Week—the part that youth is taking—is symbolic of the trend of the times in our own denomination. The Spirit of Youth is actively finding its way in the Life of the Church.

FROM THE MARCH MONTHLY LETTER OF THE BRITISH LEAGUE

At the last quarterly meeting of the London District League there was the great attraction of the presence of Rev. E. Rosalind Lee and Miss Hilda Hargrove, their first appearance since their return. Miss Hargrove spoke of the Fellowship and Friendly Links work as experienced overseas. She had been impressed with the value which these might have in tightening the bonds of union with overseas churches, and she drew attention to the importance of urging all who go from the homeland to settle overseas to become loyal members of the nearest Unitarian congregation however many miles

away. She suggested as a useful development of Fellowship work, the sending of literature suitable for religious education in the home. Rev. E. Rosalind Lee spoke appreciatively of the leaders of the American Unitarian Women's Alliance, and gave a brief account of her journeys in the United States and Canada, also referring to the short stay in New Zealand, and the longer time in Australia. She appealed to those present to make the League a real bond of union between Unitarian women all over the world, and to fit themselves by the discipline of personal religion for the more effective application of their faith to practical life.

The autograph quilt made by the Montague Alliance, and presented to the oldest active member of any of our New England Alliances, was presented in 1916 to Miss Helen Prentiss of Northampton, Mass., who recently died after passing her 100th birthday. The quilt was carefully kept and admired by Miss Prentiss, never used for ordinary purposes, and now is in good condition to be passed along to the next oldest active Alliance member in New England. Would the secretaries of our branches send the names and ages of their oldest active members to Mrs. Julia B. Farwell, Montague, Mass.? The name of the new recipient will be given in *Word and Work.*

Winchester, Mass., Ladies' Friendly Society has an interesting membership story and wonders if any sister Alliance can equal or better it. In 1911-1913, with Mrs. George H. Root as President, the membership went from 59 to 216. In 1921-1923, with Mrs. H. A. Goddard as President, 92 new members were welcomed. Today there are 288 members with hopes of further gain. Where there's a will, there is usually a way. An active membership committee is responsible for the above.

The New York League of Unitarian Women held its last meeting of the season at Unity Church, Montclair, N. J., Friday, April 6. Rev. John B. W. Day, recently the representative of American Unitarians in Japan, spoke on Japan and Christian Missions.

Transylvania and its Needs were discussed by Rev. Palfrey Perkins of Weston, Mass., who told of his personal experience during a visit to that country.

Miss Dorothy Dyar made a plea for funds in aid of the Pacific School for the Ministry at Berkeley, Calif., and a collection was taken for that object.

The meeting opened with the singing of a hymn, "The Church of the Living God," written by the President, Ethel Blackwell Robinson.

The School at Shelter Neck closed its term of twenty-five weeks, on Friday, April 13. Over one hundred friends and neighbors were present to enjoy the exercises, which had been planned for out of doors. The rain drove us into the school-house where we were somewhat crowded. There were nine in the class graduating and receiving diplomas from the eighth grade. The usual class-day program was given, welcome, class-prophecy, essays, followed by scenes from "Julius Caesar," and "As You Like It," recitations by the primary grades, the operetta "Robin Hood," and an "Ode to the Flag" by four young ladies, as the beautiful new flag, given by the school-children, was presented to the school. A bountiful luncheon was served, after which the Superintendent of Schools of New Bern presented the speaker of the afternoon, Mr. Kirkpatrick, President of the Chamber of Commerce of New Bern, who spoke very convincingly of the value of education. We have been very fortunate in these closing weeks of the school in having as visitors Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bailey of Arlington, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Griffin of New York, and Rev. Margaret B. Barnard of Swansboro. Taking advantage of Miss Barnard's presence on Tuesday evening, April 3, we had a christening service in the church. Seven children were christened. On Easter Sunday, two Easter Pageants were given and twenty-eight people signed our Community Pledge.

Jeanette B. Damon, Superintendent.

At the meeting of the Monday Conference, to be held May 7, 1923, at 10.30 A. M., at 25 Beacon St., Boston, the speaker will be Miss Lucy Lowell, President of The Alliance, and her subject: *The Alliance—in Retrospect.*

Appeals stand as follows:

Eugene, Ore.	$82.00
Work in Italy	87.00
Castine, Me.	91.00
Long Beach, Calif.	61.00
Southern Work (Southern Circuit and Carolina Industrial School).	654.00

CHAPEL HYMNS AND SERVICES

THIS book is an abridged edition of the *Hymn and Tune Book,* and although it cannot of course furnish the large variety of needs as does the *Hymn and Tune Book,* nevertheless it will suffice when such variety is not absolutely essential.

It has been prepared primarily to meet an insistent and far-reaching demand from colleges, schools and churches for a collection of hymns and services especially adapted to the use of students and young people. The hymns and tunes have been selected and the services compiled with this end in view. No part of the book bears the stamp of a single mind. It is the product of a group of minds representing different traditions and judgments and qualified by large experience in American schools and colleges to understand the ethical impulses and spiritual characteristics of youth. The hymns are modern in tone and resolute in outlook. The tunes are spirited and of tested merit. The services are dignified and expressive of the thoughts and hopes of young Americans. The mood of spiritual idealism and optimism pervades the book. It should help to promote a sincere spirit of worship and to upbuild in the hearts of youth the ideals of the Christian life.

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